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Mr. George Lauder  
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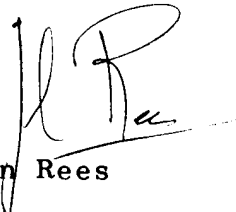
Dear Mr. Lauder:

As we discussed, I enclose some questions which I would like to include in my interview with Director Casey.

Should it be convenient for the replies to these questions to be written in advance, it might serve to reduce the time that I will be bothering him! From the earlier issues of Conservative Digest that you have, you will see that our interviews tend to call for rather long answers.

I've also enclosed a copy of a newsletter with which I am associated. It circulates to some offices in your establishment and may be of interest.

Sincerely,

  
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## QUESTIONS FOR INTERVIEW WITH WILLIAM CASEY

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1. Overall, how has morale of the CIA's intelligence officers and employees changed since you took charge?
2. What are some of the major misunderstandings that the general public holds regarding the CIA's fundamental mission and activities?
3. Are intelligence operations alien to the American tradition?
4. What is the state of relations with the U.S. media and the academic foreign policy community?
5. How can CIA respond to critics when fundamentally everything it undertakes is secret?
6. To what extent has trust and cooperation with allied intelligence changed?
7. How do you view the adversarial positions taken in the House and Senate overall? Are criticisms of CIA related more to questions of administration policy, or are they more on fundamental concepts of intelligence such as covert action?
8. In the field of combatting international terrorism, what is your agency's role? With respect to states that sponsor terrorist groups, what are the key problems besides Libya?
9. Has the U.S. effort to combat terrorism been a factor in the way CIA campus recruiters are regarded by college students? How do students now regard a career in intelligence? What's the most basic requirement - foreign language skill, political science degree?
10. How do you hope your term as Director will be remembered?

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